

New for 2011:

1. Quarterly Case Status Reports (QCSR)

There are a few changes to the QCSR form from 2010. On Line W, we have added the description “Self Represented Litigant”. This is a change in terminology only, and no change in meaning from the term “*pro se* litigant” is intended.

In reporting Intrastate probation transfers as MC cases, if the sending court transfers sanctioning authority and the receiving court accepts sanctioning authority, the transfer should be counted as a new filing. If the receiving court does not accept sanctioning authority, the case should be entered as a “venue in” rather than as a new filing.

In Part V, Question 5, the instruction not to count guardians *ad litem* or court appointed special advocates appointed in guardianship (GU) cases has been deleted. If a guardian *ad litem* or a court appointed special advocate is appointed in a GU case, that case should now be counted and included in the “other” box on the form. For Question 7, Supreme Court Family Court project courts are no longer to be reported here. Only certified problem solving courts should report here. We have changed the instruction from reporting new cases accepted into the court in the reporting period to reporting new people entering the program in the reporting period.

2. Court Budget & Expenditure Report: Probation Departments and Juvenile Detention Centers

Currently, probation departments and juvenile detention centers that maintain a budget separate from the court(s) they serve, even if it is for only part of the department’s total budget, e.g., a Budget for Probation User Fees, must submit a Report on Court Budget and Expenditures for that part of its budget. However, we are now also encouraging all probation departments to file separate Budget and Expenditure Reports for all expenditures for 2010, *if possible*, even if they do not maintain a separate budget.

A special, shorter version of the online Court Budget & Expenditure Report form which eliminates categories that don’t apply to probation departments or juvenile detention centers has been created for use by Probation Departments and Juvenile Detention Centers in filing the reports on ICOR. This shorter online version is available for completing the 2010 report due on January 20, 2011, as well as the 2011 report due in 2012.

3. Court Revenue Report

We have closed the City/Town/Township Level Funds columns for the Child Abuse Prevention Fee and the Jury Fee. For the Special Death Benefits Fee, we have opened the State Level Column and closed the County Level and City/Town/Township Level columns.